



A session at Maggy's is something every hard working woman deserves

This past week Maggy's hosted their annual Make-up Festival, and both Diane and Sheila confess it was a great success, with good reason. I had the experience of being pampered for two hours during a makeover with Vladimir Utrera and Norma Rodriguez of Elizabeth Arden, and also taking their class, as a gift for Mother's Day from my daughter. The cost is well worth it, because you take that home in product, but the time spent being pampered is even more important, especially for today's hard working Super Mom, who has to take on the world and raise her children, very often single-handed.

Though these very busy women often are the ones that feel they don't have the time for such things as a makeover, they are the ones that often need it most. I am not saying this because their make-up is ugly, or they look terrible, but they are the ones that need the lift that such a treatment gives one, to not only the appearance, but the spirit.

Vladimir and Norma fussed over me for a good portion of the afternoon, and truth be told, I loved it. I was cleansed, toned, and treated with a mask. My face and neck received a firming massage, and Norma ran her light wand over my face to soften and firm. Did I notice a difference? Not so much, but it felt good anyway. That is what is important about these sessions; they really do *feel* good.

Many women that are more mature have played with make-up over the years and found a style the works for them, but that is the secret, to *play* with make-up. I have noticed too many woman that are still wearing the same make-up they did when they were twenty, because they often feel that is when they looked their best. It is wise to let a make-up specialist show you new styles of making up that may be more age appropriate. I learned a number of things that stand out from my session; how to apply cream make-up with a wide paintbrush, which results in good coverage and a natural look, and a unique way to apply mascara that is very effective. This is why these people are professionals; they really do know what they are doing. Maggy's only traffics in the finest quality cosmetics, and one notices the difference. I was made up with the Elizabeth Arden's Bohemian Bronze line, which is very suited to my coloring. If anyone can make me look a little bit like Catherine Zeta-Jones Douglas, they have my complete cooperation. One must admit, that is a clever bit of marketing on the part of Elizabeth Arden Cosmetics.

Of course, the big promo for these make-up lines is age-defying and firming. That is understandable, as mature women are the ones that are most interested in high-end cosmetics. There are enough different products to diminish wrinkles around the eyes, lips, throat, and face to makes one's head spin, but that would appear to be what every woman needs, as each area has its own requirements.

Many women work hard and think they don't have the time for a makeover or treatment, but they should take this time someday out of their busy schedule and indulge themselves. If they won't, than some loving person should buy it for them. It is something a woman deserves, they *will* learn something, or at least have a lovely time being treated tenderly by a make-up artist that loves to make women look beautiful.

You don't have to wait until another year is gone and the next make-up festival arrives to get beautiful, there are usually make-up specialists coming to Maggy's throughout the year, offering makeovers and instruction. Arrange a session for yourself, or someone you love, You deserve it!!